



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hubert METZNER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1752
Application No.: 10/052,469) Examiner: Hoa Van LE
Filed: January 23, 2002)
For: THE USE OF A HYDROGEN PEROXIDE)
PLASMA STERILIZATION METHOD)
FOR THE MILD STERILIZATION OF)
TEMPERATURE-SENSITIVE PRODUCTS)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In reply to the Office Action dated October 2, 2003, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, a three-month extension of time and requisite fee being filed herewith, Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper starting at page 2.

Remarks addressing the Office Action begin on page 5.